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Filing Date: May 14, 2001
Title: CEMENTING IN DEEP WATER OFFSHORE WELLS
Inventors: Lance E. Brothers et al
Atty Docket: HES 99.0350U1C1 (1391-40500)

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Enclosed are the following documents for filing:

1. Amendment and Response to Final Office Action (dated February 27, 2003); and
2. Acknowledgement postcard.

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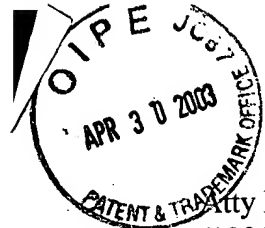
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In response to the Final Office Action dated February 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 6 of this paper.